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Drought response guidance for public health and food industry professionals

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Abstract:

The current drought in Georgia could potentially impact not only the quantity but the quality of Georgia's drinking water. The following drought guidance is to be used as a reference for background information as well as recommendations in protecting the health of Georgia citizens during current drought conditions. This Drought Response Guidance document provides information for health care providers on susceptible populations, private well owners, hospitals and health care facilities, restaurant owners, food retailers and processors and is intended for use by Health Officers at the Districts, Local Health Departments, hospitals and primary care providers in communicating the risks associated with the current drought to susceptible populations, private well owners as well as the general public and by the food industry.

Source:

https://dph.georgia.gov/sites/dph.georgia.gov/files/EnvHealth/Food/Education/Water%20Advisory%20Drought%20Guidance%20November%202007.pd

Resource Description

Communication:

resource focus on research or methods on how to communicate or frame issues on climate change; surveys of attitudes, knowledge, beliefs about climate change

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Communication Audience:

audience to whom the resource is directed

Health Professional, Public

Other Communication Audience: Food Industry Professionals

Early Warning System:

resource focus on systems used to warn populations of high temperatures, extreme weather, or other elements of climate change to prevent harm to health

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Exposure:

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Extreme Weather Event, Food/Water Quality, Food/Water Security, Food/Water Security

Extreme Weather Event: Drought

Geographic Feature:

resource focuses on specific type of geography

None or Unspecified

Geographic Location:

resource focuses on specific location

United States

Health Impact: 13

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Infectious Disease

Infectious Disease: Foodborne/Waterborne Disease

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Foodborne/Waterborne Disease: General Foodborne/Waterborne Disease

Intervention:

strategy to prepare for or reduce the impact of climate change on health

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Medical Community Engagement:

resource focus on how the medical community discusses or acts to address health impacts of climate change

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Mitigation/Adaptation:

mitigation or adaptation strategy is a focus of resource

Adaptation

Population of Concern: A focus of content

Population of Concern:

populations at particular risk or vulnerability to climate change impacts

Children, Elderly, Pregnant Women

Other Vulnerable Population: Immune suppressed; Dialysis patients; Persons with pre-existing health conditions

Resource Type:

format or standard characteristic of resource

Research Article

Timescale: I

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified

Vulnerability/Impact Assessment:

resource focus on process of identifying, quantifying, and prioritizing vulnerabilities in a system

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